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Encl: ✓(1) MABS-11 Command Chronology

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY  
1 October 1970 to 31 October 1970

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## PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION COMMANDER  
MABS-11 Major Donald F. CROWE 1-31 October 1970
2. LOCATION  
1-31 October 1970, DaNang, RVN
3. STAFF OFFICERS
- |                         |                        |            |
|-------------------------|------------------------|------------|
| Executive Officer       | Major C. F. DEFRIES    | 1-310ct70  |
| Administrative Officer  | Capt J. N. STEWART     | 1-310ct70  |
| Awards Officer          | 1stLt M. L. COOK       | 1-250ct70  |
|                         | 1stLt L. K. BURGESS    | 26-310ct70 |
| Legal Officer           | 1srLt M. L. COOK       | 1-250ct70  |
|                         | 1stLt P. E. HORNA      | 26-310ct70 |
| Clubs Officer           | 1stLt K. M. JIMMERSON  | 1-310ct70  |
| Recovery Officer        | WO-1 R. C. NEWMAN      | 1-310ct70  |
| Motor Transport Officer | Capt D. E. AMICK       | 1-310ct70  |
| Ass't Motor Transport O | WO-1 V. E. BROWNING    | 1-310ct70  |
| Material Officer        | 1stLt E. N. HOWELL III | 1-310ct70  |
| Security Officer        | 1stLt W. B. ZACKOWSKI  | 1-310ct70  |
| 1st Platoon CMDR        | 1stLt S. J. HUGHES     | 1-250ct70  |
|                         | 1stLt D. M. WEYAND     | 26-310ct70 |
| 2nd Platoon CMDR        | 1stLt M. L. KENT       | 1-310ct70  |
| 3rd Platoon CMDR        | 1stLt D. J. BOSSI      | 1-310ct70  |
| Communication Officer   | 1stLt R. H. TODD       | 1-310ct70  |
| Base Services Officer   | Capt J. C. STIERS      | 1-310ct70  |
| Ass't Base Serv Officer | 1stLt C. W. RILEY      | 1-310ct70  |
| Ass't Base Serv Officer | 1stLt L. K. BURGESS    | 1-310ct70  |
| IRO Officer             | Capt D. E. SCHULTZ     | 1-310ct70  |
| Food Services Officer   | Capt D. E. SCHULTZ     | 1-310ct70  |
| Heavy Equipment Officer | 1stLt R. L. MAULDIN    | 1-310ct70  |
| Utilities Officer       | 1stLt J. D. RUSSELL    | 1-310ct70  |
| TAFDS Officer           | 1stLt B. W. BODMER     | 1-310ct70  |
| Wing Fire Marshall      | Capt R. SHERIDAN       | 1-310ct70  |

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4. Average Monthly Strength

<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>ATTACHED</u>
<u>OFF ENL</u>	<u>OFF ENL</u>	<u>OFF ENL</u>
22 428	2 14	0 54

## PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. None

## PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Chronology

- 1 October 1970 LCpl BOLSTAD and LCpl ZUPKA continued throughout the month of October teaching English to Vietnamese students at the Anh Sang High School in DaNang City.
- 2 October 1970 Transfer of TAFDS personnel with no replacements resulted in reaching critical personnel level.
- 3 October 1970 TAFDS has continued transplacement to their present location in the former VMO-2 Southern Hangar.
- 4 October 1970 Motor Transport provided a Convoy Commander, 15 vehicles with drivers and escorts, driving 6,000 miles and hauling approximately 385 tons from MAG-13, Chu Lai to embarkation point and DaNang Air Base. Recovery safely arrested an Air Force F-4 with battle damage.
- 5 October 1970 Security completed work on Post 3 in "A" area and provided personnel to work on bunkers in the MABS-11 living area.
- 6 October 1970 Communications provided one man from the Radio section for the Convoy to Chu Lai in connection with MAG-13 movement.

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- 7 October 1970 Communications is laying a one hundred pair cable from the former MWSG-17 area to the MAG-11 frame in the Alpha area. During the week 1-7 October 1970 Heavy Equipment completed five (5) of six (6) major projects.
- 8 October 1970 Recovery safely arrested a Navy F-8 with utility and hydraulic failure and a Navy A-7 with pneumatic and oil problems. Completed widening of VMGR-152 taxiway. Present width is 60 feet as opposed to originally specified 48 feet. Utilities installed a water tower in the tactical air crew quarters area and rebuilt the water tower in VMFA-115 living area.
- 9 October 1970 Communications section visited the Sacred Heart's Orphanage and delivered the monthly donation. Communications section also provided 6 Marines to work in a civic action project on an ARVN Hospital in DaNang. Security painted inside of the Guard House in "B" Area and completed 80 per cent of the bunker rehabilitation in the MABS-11 living area. LCpl NANES, W. and LCpl BRANDON, C. T., graduated with Honors from the Long Binh Cable Splicing School. LCpl NANES was the Honor graduate. Sea Bees started construction of new enlisted scullery, continuing throughout the month.
- 10 October 1970 Heavy Equipment started preparing the former MWSG-17 area's Motor Transport lot in preparation for relocation. Gear was put together to move without interrupting the work schedule. Security filled 1,400 sandbags to be used on Bravo Area bunkers. Food Services provided buffet for "Change of Command" for VMA-311 served at the "O" Club.
- 11 October 1970 TAFDS closed their Northern fuel pits as a result of personnel shortages. The Communications Maintenance Section improved their quality control through the use of an FM signal generator and receipt of appropriate 3-5 echelon technical manuals. Recovery safely arrested a "low fuel" Navy A-3 aircraft.
- 12 October 1970 Recovery made two emergency arrestments, an Air Force A-1E with hung ordnance, and a Marine F-4 with no canopy. Security had 31 men fam fire at the range.
- 14 October 1970 Motor Transport provided 2 trailer buses to assist in evacuation of MACS-4 personnel during typhoon Joan.

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- 15 October 1970 Food Services provided buffet for "Change of Command" for VMA(AW)-225 at the "O" Club.
- 16 October 1970 Recovery completed taxiway lighting for VMGR-152. Food Services replaced all sandbags on the Mess Hall.
- 17 October 1970 Security completed work on MABS-11 Security Huts and bunkers. Also they instituted a daily formal guard mount and a two (2) section watch in the 4th platoon. Security now provides two (2) men to the combined action military police patrol.
- 18 October 1970 Heavy Equipment completed a drainage project for the 3M missile shop.
- 19 October 1970 Heavy Equipment dug three (3) drainage ditches between the ParaLoft and H&MS Power Plant shop. Also they furnished two (2) graders, a scoop loader and four (4) dump trucks in preparation for paving the main road through the MAG-11 compound.
- <sup>4</sup>  
25 October 1970 Approximately 100 feet of pavement was laid, but due to rain and an approaching typhoon, work was postponed to a later date. MABS-11 personnel readied themselves for approaching typhoon Kate by collecting loose material. Material issued three (3) meals of "C" Rations to MABS-11 personnel.
- <sup>5</sup>  
28 October 1970 Typhoon Kate hit, causing minor damage. One entire roof of a SEA hut was blown off, 1/3 roof blown off NCO Club, 1/2 roof blown off handball court and several sheets of tin roofing blown off the following: Library, SNCO Club, Utilities Plumbing shop, Officer Club, Communications Radio shack, old Heavy Equipment shed, and approximately three (3) SEA Huts in the VMA(AW)-225 and MABS-11 enlisted living area. Twenty-five calls of electrical power failure were reported. All damage was repaired within three (3) days. Heavy Equipment now authorized 495 tons of crushed rock per week during the months of November and December.
- 28 October 1970 Recovery serviced and repaired Runway lighting at MAG-16, Marble Mountain. Moved 123 pallets of AM-2 matting from the Bomb Dump to the Recovery Area. Utilities installed a 60Hz generator to replace the 50Hz "French" commercial power to the VMFA-115 living area.
- 29 October 1970 Base Services introduced a second urine collector comprised of a 2½ ton truck, tank, and a TAFDS pump.

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2. Summary of Services Provided Air Groupa. Motor Transport

Vehicle requests filled	<u>4,995</u>
Miles Traveled	<u>129,483</u>
Passengers Carried	<u>135,208</u>
Cargo Carried (S/T)	<u>10,477</u>
Ordnance hauled (Tons)	<u>5,066</u>
Maintenance Completed (work orders)	<u>288</u>
Vehicle Status	<u>92%</u>

b. Fuel Delivered (Gallons)

Diesel	<u>36,908</u>
AvGas (115/145)	<u>15,059</u>
MoGas (80 Oct)	<u>20,302</u>
JP-4	<u>135,595</u>

c. Potable Water Delivered (Gallons)

<u>415,000</u>
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d. Communications

Incoming Messages	<u>5,033</u>
Outgoing Messages	<u>986</u>
Telephone Trouble Calls	<u>213</u>
Items Repaired	<u>123</u>

e. Aircraft Recovery

Arrestments this Month	<u>746 (340 USAF)</u>
Emergency Arrestments	<u>26 (6 USAF)</u>
Total Arrestments	<u>25,890</u>

f. Heavy EquipmentUNITS SUPPORTED

- (1) H&MS-11 Bomb Dump
- (2) H&MS-11 Power Plants (IMA)
- (3) MAG-11 Group Supply and Marine Corps Property
- (4) MABS-11 Recovery
- (5) MABS-11 Security
- (6) MAG-11 Exchange

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- (7) MABS-11 Material and Utilities  
 (8) MAG-11 Flightline with Sweeper and Forklifts  
 (9) VMA-311  
 (10) VMFA-115  
 (11) Helo Staging  
 (12) Army PDO Yard  
 (13) 15th Aerial Port Squadron (USAF)  
 (14) Co. B, 361st Signal Bn. (U. S. Army)  
 (15) 1stMP Bn.  
 (16) MACG-18

FIRE DEPARTMENT

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TYPE OF FIRE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
10Oct70	False Alarm	Flight Line
20Oct70	Vehicle	Teeny Weeny Airlines (VMCR-152)
50Oct70	False Alarm	MACG-18 Living Area
130Oct70	Electrical	Wing Officers Mess
140Oct70	Head	Heavy Equipment Area
140Oct70	Tool Shed	1st MP. Bn.
150Oct70	Hootch	DaNang City
160Oct70	Vehicle	Wing Compound
170Oct70	Electrical	Navy Power Plant
190Oct70	Fuel	MAG-11 Fuel Pits
220Oct70	Brush	N. W. POL
260Oct70	Hootch	1st MP Bn. Bravo Co.
260Oct70	Aircraft	DaNang Airfield
280Oct70	Hootch	MACG-18

3. Personnel: During the period of this report, the unit joined 2 Officers and transferred 2. The Squadron also joined 47 Enlisted and transferred 85 for a net loss of 38 Enlisted.

The following Promotions were effected

(a) Private First Class	<u>11</u>
(b) Lance Corporal	<u>33</u>
(c) Corporal	<u>0</u>
(d) Sergeant	<u>0</u>

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4. Training: The following correspondence courses were applied for:

(a) Marine Corps Institute 0

(b) U. S. Armed Forces Institute 7

PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

No supporting documents maintained in this section.